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## **Historic Districts Commission Minutes 01/13/06**

### **Historic Districts Commission January 13, 2006 Whittemore Robbins House Final Minutes**

#### **Commissioners**

**Present:** S. Makowka, M. Hope Berkowitz, A. Frisch, M. Logan, J. Worden

#### **Commissioners**

**Not Present:** A. Alberg, B. Cohen, M. Penzenik, M. Potter, Y. Logan, D. Santos

#### **Guests**

**Present:** Elizabeth & James Bailey (7 Oak Knoll), Jeff Larson (20 Oak Knoll) Alyssa Krinsky Clossey (11 Oak Knoll), William Stein (17 Oak Knoll), Julie & Jim Zigo (19 Oak Knoll)

#### **Meeting opens**

**7:38pm**

#### **New Business: Proposed Expansion of Oak Knoll into Pleasant Street Historic District**

Hearing called to order at 7:38pm by S. Makowka to discuss the proposed expansion of the Pleasant Street Historic District to include the following eight (8) addresses:

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| <b>7 Oak Knoll</b>  | <b>(Represented at Meeting)</b> |
| <b>11 Oak Knoll</b> | <b>(Represented at Meeting)</b> |
| <b>15 Oak Knoll</b> |                                 |
| <b>17 Oak Knoll</b> | <b>(Represented at Meeting)</b> |
| <b>19 Oak Knoll</b> | <b>(Represented at Meeting)</b> |
| <b>20 Oak Knoll</b> | <b>(Represented at Meeting)</b> |
| <b>21 Oak Knoll</b> |                                 |
| <b>24 Oak Knoll</b> |                                 |

S. Makowka told group of approval by Mass. Historical Commission. Map is being finalized at town's Engineering office. A few final edits still need to be made to the report to reflect resident feedback. All of the support and contributions of the residents are greatly appreciated. Based on the feedback received at tonight's hearing, the next step will be to file a warrant article for the 2006 Annual Town Meeting and then hopefully to gain Town Meeting approval for the proposed expansion. After approval from TM, article would go to the Attorney General's office for their review, and hopefully around by the Fall of 2006 we would have a finalized approval.

S. Makowka opened the floor for comments on the proposed expansion. William Stein, (17 Oak Knoll) commented that he had noted some inconsistencies in the draft description of his property related to the identification of the first two owners. S. Makowka commented that the comments received from the residents are being integrated into the text and committed that he will let residents see the final draft and the map before it is distributed it to Town Meeting. Alyssa Clossey will be the contact person to get the final to the neighbors. Mr. Stein concluded by stating he supported the expansion of the District to include Oak knoll.

M. Logan arrived at 7:45pm

James Bailey (7 Oak Knoll) said he's proud to be joining the District. Julie Zigo (19 Oak Knoll) also pledged her support. They said they really enjoyed the opportunity to participate in the process. The efforts brought the neighbors together and strengthened them as neighbors. They all thanked Alyssa Krinsky Clossey for her tireless work. Alyssa said she appreciated the neighbors' willingness to work with such a tight schedule. S. Makowka asked for a vote from the audience and all residents present voted in support. There were no residents in opposition to the expansion present at the meeting.

S. Makowka moved that the Arlington Historic District Commissions, acting jointly as the study committee, approve placing the proposed expansion of Oak Knoll into the Pleasant Street Historic District on the town warrant for town meeting. Seconded by J. Worden, unanimously approved by all Commissioners.

**Old Business:** a. **Annual Report to be submitted to the Town Manager's Office**  
b. **Calendar of 2006 Meetings approved with change of December date from 12/21 to 12/14/06. Year's meetings to be held on the following dates: 1/26, 2/23, 3/23, 4/27, 5/25, 6/22, 7/27, 8/24, 9/28, 10/26, 11/16 and 12/14/06. Unanimously approved**

**Meeting Adjourns                      7:50pm**

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Greeley  
Executive Secretary